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1. [] Zdenek FIERLINGER, Prime Minister of Czechoslovakia, has prepared a document for his own defense before the Communist Party. This document allegedly states that the shift in the policy of the Social Democrat Party was caused by former President BENES, who influenced the pre-coup meetings of that party through its older members.
2. FIERLINGER is further alleged to be taking this occasion to settle his personal and political differences with Bohumil LAUSMAN, who had replaced him as head of the Social Democrat Party several months before the coup. It is reported that LAUSMAN will be put on trial on the basis of information contained in FIERLINGER's document.
3. In connection with the above, it is reported that Dr. Frantisek SKRIVAN, last secretary to President BENES, was arrested on 19 December 1948 and placed in the labor camp at Ruzyně. On 19 January 1949 he was removed to Pankrac Prison for interrogation.

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